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### MAN CHARGED IN SCHEME TO DEFRAUD MEDICARE

KANSAS CITY, Kan. -- United States Attorney Eric Melgren announced today that **Wayel Aly Nureldin, aka Wayel Aly Nour El Din, aka Wayel Aly Moustafa, aka Wayel Aly Noureldin, aka Wayel A.M. Nur Eldin, aka Wayel Aly M. Nour Eldin**, , Kansas City, Kansas, was charged on October 21, 2003, with one count of executing a scheme to defraud Medicare.

Melgren said that Nureldin was arrested on October 22, 2003, and made his initial appearance in U.S. District Court in Kansas City, Kansas, before U.S. Magistrate Judge James P. O'Hara. Nureldin was temporarily detained. His preliminary hearing and detention hearing are set for October 23, 2003, at 2:00 p.m.

An affidavit filed with the court alleges that Wayel Aly Nureldin used the name Wayel Moustafa in Massachusetts and was excluded by the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services from participating in Medicare or other federal health care programs as a result of disciplinary action taken by the Board of Medicine in Massachusetts in 1995 in which his limited license to practice medicine in Massachusetts was revoked. The affidavit alleges that in 2000, Nureldin obtained a Kansas medical license under false pretenses by submitting an Application for Postgraduate Permit to the Kansas Board of Healing Arts, under the name Noureldin, in which he stated he had never had a medical license limited, restricted, suspended or revoked. The affidavit alleges that in September 2000 Nureldin submitted an Application for Admission to Graduate Medical Education at the University of Kansas Medical Center, Kansas City, Kansas, under the name of Wayel Noureldin. The affidavit further alleges that Nureldin practiced medicine at the KU Medical Center under the name of Wayel Noureldin. The affidavit also alleges that because of this scheme, in 2001 and 2002, Nureldin caused the University of Kansas Medical Center to submit false and fraudulent reports to Medicare that resulted in improper Medicare payments of more than \$48,000 for costs associated with medical services provided by Nureldin.

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If convicted, Nureldin faces a maximum of ten years in federal prison, without parole. The case was investigated by the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, Office of Inspector General and is being prosecuted by Assistant U.S. Attorney Marietta Parker.

As in any criminal case, a person is presumed innocent until and unless proven guilty. The charges filed merely contain allegations of criminal conduct.